

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
CHARLOTTE DIVISION
CIVIL ACTION NO. 3:18-CV-441-FDW-DCK**

**ANGELA MARIE SHORT, Administratrix of
the Estate of Deborah Sue Patterson,**

Plaintiff,

v.

**CITY OF GASTONIA, NORTH CAROLINA,
OFFICER J. A. WILLIAMS, in his official
capacity and individually for the City of
Gastonia, and GASTONIA POLICE
DEPARTMENT,**

Defendants.

ORDER

THIS MATTER IS BEFORE THE COURT on “Defendants’ Motion To Stay Initial Attorney Conference” (Document No. 5) filed August 23, 2018. This motion has been referred to the undersigned Magistrate Judge pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b), and immediate review is appropriate. Having carefully considered the motion and the record, the undersigned will deny the motion.

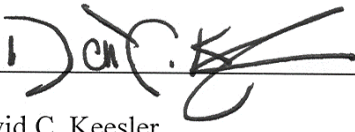
Although the undersigned has been informed that Plaintiff consents to the requested relief, the Court will decline to issue a stay at this time. Instead, the Court will *sua sponte* allow the parties additional time to conduct their Initial Attorney’s Conference.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that “Defendants’ Motion To Stay Initial Attorney Conference” (Document No. 5) is **DENIED**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the parties shall conduct an Initial Attorney’s Conference, or request additional time to do so, on or before **November 2, 2018**.

SO ORDERED.

Signed: August 27, 2018



David C. Keesler
United States Magistrate Judge

